

If you will read the editorial page in this week's (date of February 12) number of

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you will find it clearly proved from the Post-Office Department's own reports, that it is totally unnecessary to put any additional tax on magazines and periodicals, and that a deficit of \$17,500,000 is *not* chargeable to the periodicals.

For instance, the Post-Office Department is charging \$13,821,100 of the cost of rural free delivery against the second-class mail. Now, rural free delivery was established as a matter of Government policy, and we believe in it, but it is not fair to charge one dollar of this expense against the magazines. It is undoubtedly of benefit to the daily newspapers, but the Department is trying to exempt them from an increase in rate. The magazines do not need or want once a day or twice a day deliveries on these rural routes.

"Page 256, Postmaster's Report, 1908, says: 'Franking privileges weighed 4,555,634 pounds. They certainly cost the average price of all mail in all ways. And Governmental matter for Departments other than the Post-Office weighed 18,644,019 pounds.'

"This report says that if the matter was charged at postal rates it would yield a revenue as follows:
Second-class \$ 531,560.94
Franked matter 3,987,546.44
Government matter 16,362,131.95
Total credit due Department . . . \$20,881,239.33

"And that awful deficit disappears.
"It is impossible that a business of over \$200,000,000 should not offer an opportunity for enormous savings. And a business like that of our great Postal Department, with endless ramifications, must offer endless opportunities.

"No Postmaster-General entering his position today, with all the duties befalling a Cabinet official besides running his Department, no matter how great his intelligence or how fine his training, can grasp the details of this enormous business before he disappears. There is no time given to him to find these opportunities to save expense. The affairs of the Department must, for the most part, be administered by those under him."

Given a chance they would save in business economies more than the alleged deficit of \$17,500,000.

We ask Congress to give us a Director of Posts—as recommended by the joint Congressional committee of 1907, an officer who shall be non-political, and whose term of service shall not be subject to political changes, and who shall conduct the workings of the Post-Office Department with the efficiency, economy and business-like methods which distinguish high-class American business enterprise.

The Curtis Publishing Company
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

SCHOOL LAND SALE AT LAWTON

OUT OF 173 TRACTS, 160 HAVE BEEN SOLD OR SEGREGATED—TOTAL PRICE \$424,595.

Lawton, Okla., Feb. 14.—Comanche county has broken all records in the state's sale of public school lands. The six days' sale of Comanche lands closed today, with 160 tracts out of 173 originally scheduled for sale, disposed of, ten tracts having been withdrawn from the sale, segregated either for oil and gas purposes or as townsite property, and three failing to sell. About 140 tracts went to the lessees.

The lands sold embrace an acreage of 25,172, for which an aggregate price of \$424,595 was received. The total appraisement on the lands was \$321,470, thus leaving an aggregate increase over appraisement of \$103,125. Up to the time of the Comanche county sales Kiowa county held the record, that county's lands having sold for \$161,925 above appraisement.

More than \$25,000 has been handled by the commission here this week, \$21,855.25 having been received on land sales and \$6,469.99 on improvements where lands were sold to other than lessees.

Saved From Awful Peril.

"I never felt so near my grave," writes Lewis Chamblin, of Manchester, Ohio, R. R. No. 3, "as when a frightful cough and lung trouble pulled me down to 115 pounds in spite of many remedies and the best doctors. And that I am alive today is due solely to Dr. King's New Discovery, which completely cured me. Now I weigh 160 pounds and can work hard. It also cured my four children of croup." Infallible for Coughs and Colds, it's the most certain remedy for LaGrippe, Asthma, desperate lung trouble and all bronchial affections, 50c and \$1.00. A trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Ardmore Pharmacy.

FREE PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT.

Modern Woodmen Preparing for a Big Time Tuesday Night.

The following program, under the auspices of the Modern Woodmen of America and the Royal Neighbors of America, will be rendered at the Robison opera house Tuesday evening, February 15, beginning promptly at 8:15 o'clock:

Music Prof. Roper
Invocation Rev. C. C. Welch
Address of Welcome I. R. Mason
Introduction

C. G. Harvey, Venerable Consul
Address Chas. E. Whalen
National lecturer of the M. W. A.

Music Miss Pearl Galyon
Solo Mrs. N. C. Wood
Solo Miss Grace Perry
Male Quartet

Freeman, Prather, Hoffman, Tyler
Military Drill, R. N. A. Degree Team
A special invitation is extended to every fraternal order in the city, also to the general public. There will be large delegations from surrounding camps. Come out and enjoy the evening. You are welcome.

C. G. HARVEY,
Consul M. W. A.
RUTH WHITFORD,
Oracle, R. N. A.

A Safeguard to Children.

"Our two children of six and eight years have been since infancy subject to colds and croup. About three years ago I started to use Foley's Honey and Tar, and it has never failed to prevent and cure these troubles. It is the only medicine I can get the children to take without a row." The above from W. C. Ornstein, Green Bay, Wis., duplicates the experience of thousands of other users of Foley's Honey and Tar. It cures coughs, colds and croup, and prevents bronchitis and pneumonia. Sold by all druggists.

CONSUMING STIMULANTS.

As a Nation the United States Suppasses All Records.

Washington, Feb. 14.—Americans must be a thirsty nation judging from the imports of drinkables set forth in a statement just issued by the bureau of statistics. The United States drank the essence of more than a billion pounds of coffee in 1909 valued at \$86,000,000. That was about a dollar's worth of coffee for every person in the United States. A little more than a hundred million pounds of tea valued at about \$16,000,000 came in.

But in spirits wines and malt liquors, the nation touched its highest record for importation in 1909 and consumed foreign products of that kind to the value of more than \$26,000,000, more than twice as much as was imported in 1899.

South America supplied most of the coffee. Asia most of the tea, and Europe most of the wines and liquors. United States is the world's largest coffee drinker. Great Britain is the greatest consumer of tea.

IMPORTANT RULINGS BY SUPREME COURT

LONG LIST OF DECISIONS EXPECTED WHEN BODY CONVENES FEBRUARY 21.

Washington, Feb. 14.—When the supreme court of the United States convenes Monday, February 21, a long list of decisions is expected.

Overshadowing all others is that of the government against the American Tobacco company under advisement by the court. It was argued several weeks ago. On account of the Standard Oil case, to be argued March 4, and involving similar questions, it is believed the decision on the tobacco case will not be announced until after the Standard Oil suit has been heard. Another suit that has attracted much attention is that in which the government is seeking to get possession of property amounting to nearly \$100,000 in the hands of Oberlin M. Carter, a former captain in the engineer corps of the army, who was sentenced to prison for his alleged connection with schemes to defraud the government out of \$2,000,000 intended for the improvement of the harbor at Savannah, Ga.

The court has the case under advisement.

A trio of cases under advisement involve the authority of the federal officials to bring Theodore H. Price, Frederick A. Peckham and Mose Haas from their homes in New York to the District of Columbia for trial on charges growing out of the cotton leak scandal in the department of agriculture in 1905.

One Arkansas suit involves the validity of the act of the state legislature requiring local corporations and foreign corporations seeking to do business there, to pay a fee, proportionate to the capital stock of the corporation.

Another suit attacks the validity of the Arkansas law which authorizes the revocation of the charter of any foreign corporation which removes a suit or prosecution brought against it in any court of the state to any federal court without the consent of the party, or which institutes an original suit or proceeding against any citizens of Arkansas in any federal court.

The validity of the regulations of the railroad commission of Arkansas requiring railroads to furnish cars for local shipment within five days after ordered, has been raised in another case under consideration.

CRIMINAL DOCKET.

Criminal Docket, District Court, Carter County, Oklahoma.

Monday, March 7th.
E. F. Regier, false pretense.
Frank Nero, forgery.
Frank Nero, larceny.
Ed Dyer, larceny.

Tuesday, March 8th.
Pink Thompson, larceny.
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Ose Jones, receiving stolen property.

Wednesday, March 9th.
Earnest Key, murder.
Bud Ford, burglary.

Thursday, March 10.
Andrew Jackson, Richard Roberts and Hardy Wright, larceny.
John Weathers, selling mortgaged property.

Friday, March 11th.
Knox Simmons, larceny and receiving.
J. W. Gilly, larceny.
Hymus Johnson, larceny.
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Eph James, Jr., larceny.

Monday, March 14th.
Newton Stark, murder.
Jeff Organ, larceny.
Joseph Jackson, larceny.

Tuesday, March 15th.
Ellis Williams, assault to kill.
Will Roberts, larceny and receiving.

Wednesday, March 16th.
Raford Spencer, murder.
Elmer Finley and Bob Rodgers, larceny.

Thursday, March 17th.
Mack Edwards and Jesse Kirby, larceny.

Friday, March 18th.
J. W. Banks, false pretense.
Henderson Yates and Andrew Davis, larceny.

Roy and Marvin Mitchell, assault to kill.

MOTHER'S FRIEND

A LINIMENT FOR EXTERNAL USE.

Not only is Mother's Friend a safe and simple remedy, but the comfort and healthful condition its use produces makes it of inestimable value to every expectant mother. Mother's Friend relieves the pain and discomfort caused by the strain on the different ligaments, overcomes nausea by counteraction, prevents backache and numbness of limbs, soothes the inflammation of the breast glands, and in every way aids in preserving the health and comfort of prospective mothers. Mother's Friend is a liniment for external massage, which by lubricating and expanding the different muscles and membranes, thoroughly prepares the system for baby's coming without danger to the mother. Mother's Friend is sold at drug stores. Write for our free book for expectant mothers.

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W. B. FRAME ANNOUNCEMENT

We take great pleasure in announcing to our patrons and the general public that we will have with us for the following days only Feb. 14-15, an EXPERT OPTICIAN, representing the celebrated firm of A. K. HAWKES CO., Atlanta, Ga., the largest and most favorably known optical establishment in the South.

He will Test Eyesight and Fit Glasses

The doctor is a graduate of one of the leading Ophthalmic Colleges in the United States, is thoroughly conversant with all modern methods in refractive science, including Retinoscopy, Ophthalmology, etc., and has had long experience in his specialty.

Remember

That we have arranged this engagement and secured the services of a man of ability and reputation, and that we, personally, guarantee his work.

All examinations are free, and only regular prices will be charged for glasses.

You Can Save Money

and obtain the highest class of professional service in this line by taking advantage of this opportunity.

Bear in mind the dates, Feb. 14-15

A Sunday Dinner

At a popular price at the

ADRIEN HOTEL

Best in the city

Meal Tickets and regular Table Board

HOW GAS IS USED AT BARTLESVILLE

IS THE GREATEST INCENTIVE TO TOWN BUILDING AND INDUSTRIES—GAS AT LOW PRICE.

Guthrie, Okla., Feb. 14.—J. S. Leach, editor and proprietor of the Bartlesville Enterprise speaks enthusiastically of his home town. He says:

"The two cities of St. Louis and Kansas City pipe in a daily average of 12,000,000 cubic feet of gas for light and fuel. Bartlesville pipes in a daily average 32,000,000 cubic feet, which is used largely for purposes of manufacturing. Our town is going ahead through the medium of gas being sold at a cheap rate as an industrial enterprise."

"The oil business is getting better although the price is still low. The Standard Oil company, which has a world of tanks is now drawing on that supply and when it is exhausted the demand for oil will make the price go up. I am well pleased to note the movement recently announced by capitalists from Enid, Guthrie and other Oklahoma cities of organizing an oil company for the purpose of distributing oil throughout the state in a retail way. Our state has long needed just such a movement to afford competition with the Standard Oil company and I now predict the effect of this movement will be beneficial to the price of crude oil."

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THIS SHERIFF MEANS BUSINESS

WILL PROTECT NEGRO PRISONER FROM LYNCHERS WITH A CANNON IF NEEDED BE.

Mobile, Ala., Feb. 14.—"I will roll the cannon in the hallway of the jail and defend the prisoner until the last officer falls if necessary."

This was the emphatic reply of Sheriff Drago tonight to the many rumors that an effort would be made during the night to lynch Huesti Mosley, the negro who was placed in the county jail here last night charged with assaulting Kate Walters, a 14-year-old white girl at Whistler, five miles north of this city.

Mosley's case probably will be considered by the grand jury tomorrow and a speedy trial is anticipated. Circumstantial evidence points to his guilt. Negroes of Whistler state that Mosley appealed to several of their number to shield him from the officers shortly after the assault was committed.

Sheriff Drago's predecessor was removed from office by the Governor last year for allowing a negro to be taken from the Mobile jail and lynched.

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If you could only use an ink eraser on that old leaf!

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Foley's Orino Laxative. When you have that dull, heavy, feverish feeling, accompanied by constipation. When you have headache, indigestion, biliousness, pain in stomach and bowels, then you need Foley's Orino Laxative. It moves the bowels freely and gently, and thoroughly clears the intestinal tract. It does not gripe or nauseate and cures constipation. Sold by all druggists.

Considering his age, Father Time is feeling quite frisky, thank you!

Every baby under one year of age in Carter county is entitled to a fine gold ring by calling at the store of A. B. Rawlins Co.

Don't think because life is short that your good resolutions will outlive you.

Hoarse Coughs, Stuffy Colds

pain in chest and sore lungs, are symptoms that quickly develop into a dangerous illness if the cold is not cured. Foley's Honey and Tar stops the cough, heals and eases the congested parts, and brings quick relief. Sold by all druggists.

Here's hoping that a year hence the new year won't be blotted as badly as the old one.

More Wishing Never Brings Success. To make a success in the cure of Kidney, Bladder or Rheumatic trouble take Hall's Texas Wonder. It gives quick and permanent relief. Write for testimonials, E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo. Sold by all druggists.

Took All His Money.

Often all a man earns goes to doctors or for medicines, to cure a Stomach, Liver or Kidney trouble that Dr. King's New Life Pills would quickly cure at slight cost. Best for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Biliousness, Constipation, Jaundice, Malaria and Debility. 25c at Ardmore Pharmacy.

Honest, now, what did you do with that 98-cent box of cigars your wife gave you a few days ago?

Sore Lungs and Raw Lungs. Most people know the feeling, and the miserable state of ill health it indicates. All people should know that Foley's Honey and Tar, the greatest throat and lung remedy, will quickly cure the soreness and cough and restore a normal condition. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar. Sold by all druggists.